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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of ::  
George C. Dobrin, et al. ::  
Serial No. :: Art Unit:  
Filed: :: Examiner:  
For: METHOD OF MODIFYING A NONWOVEN FIBROUS WEB FOR USE AS A COMPONENT  
OF A DISPOSABLE ABSORBENT ARTICLE  
P&G Case 7444D

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed concurrent with Divisional application of the co-pending parent application USSN 09/274,946, filed March 23, 1999 (which is being allowed) and with the accompanying Information Disclosure Statement.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please add the following before the first line of the specification:

--This application is a divisional of co-pending Application Serial No. 09/274,946, filed March 23, 1999.--

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-20.

Please amend claims 21-30 to read as herewith submitted on a separate page in its clean form in accordance with 37 CFR 1.121(c)(i). A version of the amended claims 21-30 marked up to show changes is also herewith submitted on a separate page in accordance with 37 CFR 1.121(c)(1)(ii). No new matter has been added by the amendments.